

WESTCHESTER CITY ADVOCATES MAKE FIRST MOVE TO-DAY

Bill Creating Commission Expected to Be Introduced in Legislature To-Night.

ALBANY, Feb. 6.—Westchester County has come to the front very rapidly in the demand for the biggest sort of improvements, which include a proposition to make of the lower part of the county a municipality similar to that of Greater New York and a chain of parks which will add to the beauty and value of the great estates of the wealthy residents of the county.

The new city is wanted, it is said, as a protection against possible encroachments by Greater New York. At any rate, this is the reason given in justification for the move by followers of William L. Ward, Republican boss of Westchester and one of the strongest of the G. O. P. leaders in the State.

A year ago a constitutional amendment permitting Nassau and Westchester Counties to consolidate their Governments was adopted by the voters. But this is, apparently, not deemed a strong enough barrier against the expansion of the Greater City. A bill to create a commission of thirty-two citizens to plan a county government for Westchester is expected to be introduced at tonight's session, the passage of which will set in motion the plan of the Republicans and which will be made effective at the extraordinary session to be called late in the summer or in the early fall.

Tentative plans call for seven boroughs in the county with a city or more than 300,000 inhabitants. Ross Ward is the one leader in the State closest to Gov. Miller and his bills seem certain to be favorably received at the capital.

A bill authorizing Westchester County to spend \$10,000,000 for the park project, it is said, will soon be introduced in the Legislature. Assemblyman Mastick of Pleasantville already has introduced one authorizing the State to turn over to the county the Mohansic Lake reservation in Yorktown, which would be made part of the park project. It is understood that some of the wealthy residents of Westchester are willing to put up the \$10,000,000 for the park.

COUPLE ROBS PAWNSHOP THROUGH HOLE IN FLOOR

\$5,000 Worth of Furs Stolen by "Mr. and Mrs. Murphy."

Detectives and A. Welschberger, a pawnbroker of No. 704 Eighth Avenue, were searching to-day for "Mr. and Mrs. Murphy," a young couple who have lived for three weeks in a furnished room on the floor above the pawnshop. It is believed Mr. and Mrs. Murphy can help in solving the mystery of the disappearance of \$5,000 worth of furs and valuable suit cases from the shop.

Mrs. Mary Belmar, the landlady went to the room yesterday afternoon to clean. She nearly fell through a hole in the floor covered by a strip of oil cloth. The hole, freshly cut, was about three feet square. Under it was the pawnshop stepladder.

AUSTRALIA REJECTS THE 44-HOUR WEEK

Labour Unions Defeated in Proposed Change.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—Rejection of the 44-hour week sought by Australian labor was reported to the Commerce Department to-day by Consul General Samons at Melbourne. The Australian Government, the report said, held that a reduction of the working week from 48 to 44 hours would be injurious to Australian industry.

STRIKE DISRUPTS WATER AND LIGHT SERVICE IN BERLIN

Phones Also Crippled When City Employees Quit—Rail Walkout Spreading.

BERLIN, Feb. 6 (Associated Press).—Berlin was practically at the mercy to-day of a double strike of railway workers and public utility employees. The city was almost without water and light, and telephone service was greatly crippled.

The municipal council was negotiating with the gas, electricity and water power strikers, while Chancellor Wirth's Cabinet was discussing the railway situation with political leaders and representatives of railway unions, but not with the National Union of Railway Workers, which is striking.

The rail strike to-day had extended to Mecklenburg and the Lokal Anzeiger, in dispatches from Stuttgart, reported that the Engine Drivers' Union in Wurttemberg, Baden and Bavaria had declared they could not remain out of the strike unless the Berlin Government forthwith commenced direct negotiations with the striking union.

IRISH MEET WITH BRITISH CABINET

Boundaries and Other Treaty Questions Being Ironed Out at Conference.

LONDON, Feb. 6 (Associated Press).—Negotiations on the Irish situation arising from the boundaries question and other points in the Anglo-Irish treaty were resumed at No. 10 Downing Street, Premier Lloyd George's official residence, this forenoon. Arthur Griffith, President of the Dail Eireann, Michael Collins, head of the Provisional Government, and others of the Irish leaders met Mr. Lloyd George and other members of the original British representatives on the Irish Committee of the Cabinet.

The conference lasted an hour and a half, but up to noon no intimation was given as to whether an agreement had been reached on the questions discussed. The official statement regarding the meeting read as follows: "A meeting was held at No. 10 Downing Street to-day between British and Irish representatives to agree upon the procedure for giving the treaty effect. The following were present:—

"British representatives: Prime Minister Lloyd George, Austen Chamberlain (Government leader in the House of Commons), Winston Churchill (Secretary for the Colonies), Sir Hamar Greenwood (Chief Secretary for Ireland), Sir Gordon Hewart (the Attorney General).
"Irish representatives: Arthur

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WOMAN CHARGED WITH KILLING HUSBAND

Mildred Dies of Burns Inflicted by Wife.

Following the death of Harry Mildred, thirty, in Coney Island Hospital to-day the charge made against his wife of felonious assault was changed to homicide in the Coney Island Court. She is in Raymond Street Jail hospital and is now held without bail.

Mildred, a salesman, living at No. 22

Harvard Court, Brighton Beach, was taken to the hospital on Jan. 29. He was badly burned about the head, face and shoulders, where his wife, he said, had poured boiling water over him as he slept. The boiling water had splattered over two children, who were slightly burned. Mrs. Mildred, a comely woman of thirty, denied he was asleep and said she had threatened him with the boiling water, and in grabbing it spilled it over himself. Mrs. Mildred was also burned.

CHINESE, 70 YEARS OLD, HELD AS BOOTLEGGER.

And His Nephew Goes to Blackwell's Island as Shoplifter.

Wong Chow and Wong Gee are in trouble. Chow was caught stealing

12 nail clips and a pair of gloves from a Sixth Avenue department store, and was sentenced to Blackwell's Island, the first of his race to go there for such an offense.

But Gee is charged with a still more modern crime—bootlegging. Detectives Lavender, O'Connor and Guaran say they caught him distilling rice wine at No. 11 Pell Street. He was arraigned in the Tombs Court and held in \$500 bail. Gee is seventy and the uncle of Chow.

KING GETS DE NICOLA TO FORM NEW CABINET

ROME, Feb. 6 (Associated Press).—The task of forming a new Cabinet was officially offered to Enrico de Nicola, President of the Chamber of Deputies, by King Victor Emmanuel to-day.

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